



Zhu
~~AFB~~

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

SATO, et al.

Confirmation No.: 6954

Application No.: 09/987,351

Art Unit: 1753

Examiner: Arun S Phasge

Filed: November 14, 2001

Attorney Dkt. No.: 107348-00170

For: HYDROGEN STATION, AND PROCESS FOR OPERATING THE SAME

**NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
AND INTERFERENCES AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Mail Stop: AF

Director of the U.S. PTO

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: May 3, 2005

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Decision of the Primary Examiner dated November 3, 2004 finally rejecting claims 1-32.

A timely response to the final rejection dated April 4, 2005 has been filed.

The \$500.00 Appeal Fee is attached.

The shortened statutory period expiring February 3, 2005, it is hereby requested that the period for response be extended for three months, with two months having already been paid. Also included in our check is \$570.00 as payment of the fee for a three month extension of time for filing this Notice of Appeal, with one month having already been paid.

05/04/2005 SZEWDIE1 00000051 09987351

01 FC:1253
02 FC:1401

570.00 OP
500.00 OP

Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to our
Deposit Account No. 01-2300, **referencing attorney docket number 107348-
00170.**

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Robert K. Carpenter". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending from the end of the name.

Robert K. Carpenter
Registration No. 34,794

Customer Number 004372
ARENT FOX, PLLC
1050 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.,
Suite 400
Washington, D.C. 20036-5339
Tel: (202) 857-6000
Fax: (202) 638-4810

TECH/298745.1